

City Council Regular Meeting 01/16/2007

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Trinity City Council was held on Tuesday, January 16,2007 at the Trinity Memorial United Methodist Church. A quorum was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Frances Andrews, Council members Karen Bridges, Phil Brown, Barbara Ewings, Barry Lambeth, Bob Labonte, Dwight Meredith, Edith Reddick, and Miles Talbert.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Ann Bailie; City Attorney, Bob Wilhoit; City Planning/Zoning Administrator, Adam Stumb; City Clerk/FO, Debbie Hinson; City Engineer, Randy McNeill, Davis-Martin-Powell and Associates; Members of the Press; and other interested parties.

Call to Order

Mayor Andrews called the January 16, 2007 Regular Meeting of the Trinity City Council to order at 7:01 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Andrews led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation

The invocation was given by Council member Lambeth.

Welcome Guest and Visitors

Mayor Andrews welcomed and thanked all persons in attendance and for their interest in the City.

Public Concerns and Commendations

Mickey Phillips 3924 Red Fox Rd, Trinity: Ms. Phillips asked if a law could not be implemented that would allow builders to do only the footprint of house and leave surrounding area as is whenever there is any type of annexation or any large building process.

Attorney Wilhoit discussed with Council members and members of the audience the Ordinances that both counties and municipalities had that addressed these types of issues when building permits were issued. It was his opinion that such a law would probably be challenged and overturned in a court of law.

There was further conversation between Ms. Phillips and Mr. Stumb concerning the protection of trees when development occurred. Mr. Stumb advised Ms. Phillips that there were some cities that had a Tree Preservation Ordinance. This would be something that staff could look into if directed.

It was Ms. Phillips opinion that this would be something nice for Council to consider.

Opening Comments from Members of Council

None

Recognition

1. Recognition of citizens, businesses and organizations that supported Christmas in Trinity 2006 (Mayor Fran Andrews)

Mayor Andrews discussed the Christmas In Trinity event and how the City of Trinity was assisted by members of Trinity High School's Future Business Leaders of America in making this event a success with their efforts and hard work in decorating the cafeteria, serving food, and serving as Santa's elves. Mayor Andrews read a Letter of Appreciation and presented it to the following people:

Samantha Allred, Angelina Barley, Joseph Bellangia, Justin Brown, Brooke Cold, Courtney Dills, Thuy Du, Amy Giles, Hilda Harris, Amanda Hunsucker, Matthew Hulton, Salma Igbal, John Langdon, Andy Lim, Buddy Maness, Jane Maness, Paula Meredith, Sandi Norman, Joanna Peterson, Laura Rion, Besty Rumley, Maggie Rumley, Ashley Short, Heather Sher, Ashley Sumner, Kay Spencer, and Mrs. Gail Short.

After presenting the Letter of Appreciation to the students, Mayor Andrews recognized and presented a Letter of Appreciation to the following persons for their efforts in the program:

Mr. Rob Poston who donated the toys for this event, Jimmy Shore Christmas In Trinity Santa, Sean Vesely Christmas In Trinity Musician, Aretta Reddick, Manager of the High School Cafeteria as well as Goldie Hatfield Ms. Reddick's assistant at this function.

Mayor Andrews recognized Ms. Diana Schreiber, Assistant City Clerk and Special Projects Coordinator for the City of Trinity. Mayor Andrews thanked Ms. Schreiber for all of her hard work in putting together the Christmas In Trinity Program and organizing the activities to promote the program that all of the citizens were able to enjoy.

Ms. Schreiber thanked the community of Trinity for their teamwork attitude in helping promote, support, and fund this program for the citizens of Trinity.

Reports

2. Randolph County Economic Development Corporation Annual Report (Bonnie Renfro, President and Harry Lane, Existing Business and Industry Coordinator.)

Mayor Andrews opened this item and turned the program over to Ms. Renfro.

Ms. Renfro reviewed the Randolph County Annual Report annual report reviewing the following highlights. (Attachment A- included in the minutes of record at City Hall.)

- More than \$150 million in new and expanded industrial investments across Randolph County creating 673 new jobs.
- > Vecoplan located on Uwharrie Road assembles, install, service, and sell solid waste solution equipment.
- Partnering with the EDC and other partners in an effort to further the economic development growth and support of both commercial and industrial growth in the City.
- > The importance of considering commercial and industrial base businesses as infrastructure was installed in the City and the importance in considering these items when looking at a Land Use Plan.
- The EDC works to recruit business and industries to the community and to work day to day with the existing business and industry base.

At this time Ms. Renfro called on Mr. Harry Lane, EDC to update Council on projects that he was working on with existing business and industries.

Mr. Lane advised Council that he was the existing business and industry coordinator and that he called on all of the business across Randolph County. It is my job to try to identify needs and resources that they inquire about. The following are highlights discussed by Mr. Lane.

- > Sixty (60) to eighty (80) percent of all job growth and expansion comes from existing industries.
- Called on over 22 companies within the Trinity area. These companies employee 1,081 people and occupy 1.2 million square feet.
- The Trinity area is forecasted to have new hires of 139 people and investments of 6.2 million dollars.

We received 113 Inquiries covering a broad range of information that include business development, government contracts, work force training, exporting, finances, recycling, and street improvements with 72 companies following up with the information requested.

Mr. Lane discussed the roles and importance of partnerships such as Randolph Community College who assists in work force development, NC Military Business Center that covers government contracts in order to diversify the pipeline, Department of Commerce, Department of Labor, NCDOT, Job Link in an effort to entice new industries to move into the community.

There was a brief discussion between Council members and Ms. Renfro concerning the amount of new and expanded business investment within the City of Trinity. Ms. Renfro reviewed the criteria that a company must meet to qualify or be considered for assistance. Vecoplan was the only business within the Trinity corporate limits to meet the criteria for this fiscal year.

With no other questions, Mayor Andrews thanked Ms. Renfro for her report.

3. Wastewater Projects Update (Randy McNeill, Davis-Martin-Powell & Assoc.)

Mr. McNeill reviewed the monthly progress advising Council the sewer lines in the Colonial Heights neighborhood were finished and residents have been notified by mail they could begin connection to the sewer lines. The Darr Road Project is proceeding with 2 crews working to install pipe in this area. When completed the sewer for this project will be pumped to the City of Archdale. The Phase 2 area located north of Welborn Road from the Hopewell School up to Finch Farm Road also has 2 crews working in this area as well in the Dawnwood Acres Mobile Home Park.

Public Hearings

- 4. High Point Urban Area Thoroughfare Plan (Greg Venable)
 - Resolution Adopting the Thoroughfare Plan

After Mayor Andrews opened this item, Mr. Greg Venable addressed Council and asked for their approval on the updates to the Thoroughfare Plan. The High Point MPO area consists of a portion of Davidson County, Guilford County, Randolph County, and a small portion of Forsyth County. The reason for this update is because the urbanized area has changed. We took in a small portion of Forsyth County and need to add them into the MPO. This is an existing plan and there are no major changes. Once all the jurisdictions vote on the plan we will go back to our Transportation Committee for a final approval and adoption of the Plan.

At this time Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing and called for anyone who wished to speak in favor of this request.

Speaking Against

Mary Cridlebaugh, 3632 W. Lexington, High Point; Ms. Cridlebaugh discussed her and her neighbors opposition of one portion of the Thoroughfare Plan located in Davidson County that was described as the North/South connector and runs through a portion of eastern Davidson County. We feel this is unnecessary, will cause environmental damage, and is unnecessary since there are existing roads that can do the same job. She discussed her efforts with the Davidson County Commissioners and their decision on this request. The commissioners agreed to adopt the plan with the exception of removal of the north/south connector between Highway 68 and the Davidson County line.

With no others speaking, Mayor Andrews closed the Public Hearing and asked Mr. Stumb for comments on this item.

Mr. Stumb advised Council that there were not a lot of changes within Trinity's boundaries. The only change in the Trinity area is to change Sunrise Drive from a proposed street to an existing street.

Mayor Andrews opened this item for discussion and or action by Council members.

Motion by Council member Meredith to table this item until the February City Council Meeting, seconded by Council member Lambeth and approved 5to 2 with Council members Bridges and Reddick voting nay.

5. Initial Zoning for Hopewell Village (proposed for annexation)

Mayor Andrews opened this item and asked Mr. Stumb, Planner for his report. After Mr. Stumb's report, Mr. Jones will give his comment. The Public Hearing will be opened at that time.

Mr. Stumb advised those present this property was currently zoned RA (Residential Agriculture) in Randolph County and is part of an annexation request. The requested change is for RM (Residential Mix) which allows 3 single family units per acre with a minimum lot size of 12,000 square feet. A request for CS (Community Shopping) zoning for approximately 3.2 acres of the property has been removed from the request.

The site plan shows a total of 511 units consisting of 202 Multi-Family units and 309 Single Family Units. The Planning Department sees the approximate 10,000 feet of proposed greenways in and around the area, the preservation of the existing cemetery, the buffering around the proposed development and existing development with a 25 foot vegetated buffer north and west of the development, as well as the removal of the commercial zoning request from the proposed development as positive aspects of the proposed development.

Conditions of Approval

- 1. A greenway shall be constructed along the two major streams on the property.
- 2. No manufactured homes will be permitted. All homes will be site built.
- 3. All outbuildings or accessory structures will be architecturally consistent with or of equal quality, design and construction as the primary swelling unit.
- 4. Above ground pools shall not be permitted.
- 5. Fencing- No fences shall be more than six feet high. Chain link fencing shall not be permitted.
- 6. Design Features- the following design features shall be utilized.
 Garages- all single family and multi-family dwellings with accessory garages, either detached or attached shall utilize at least one of the following three options:
 - A. Garage Off-Set: A front loading garage shall be offset and stepped back from the front building line by at least six (6) feet or;
 - B. Garage as percent of Façade: Garages shall not compromise more than fifty (50) percent of the linear length of the ground floor, street facing façade or the primary building containing a dwelling unit or:
 - C. Side Loaded or Rear Loaded Garages: utilization of a side loaded or rear loaded garage to minimize the impact of the garage door on the streetscape.

Additional Design Features for more than Two Car Garage- no more than two (2) one car garage doors or one (1) two car garage door may be located on the same architectural plane. Architectural planes for additional sets of garage doors shall be off-set by a minimum of twelve (12) inches.

- 7. The development shall have a 25 foot vegetative buffer in areas where development will abut existing residential development (Red Fox Rd, Shannon Dr. and the northern boundary of the site.
- 8. The existing cemetery shall be preserved and maintained in good condition by the homeowners association or by a land conservancy, historic preservation society or other government agency.
- 9. A secondary entrance will be constructed along Hopewell Church Road for construction vehicles only.
- 10. No vehicular connections will be permitted through the adjoining subdivisions including Evergreen Acres, Hidden Valley, and Shannon Woods.
- 11. No street connections will be made across the conservation easement and southern most streams.
- 12. All development shall comply with all other rules and regulation of the City of Trinity.
- 13. Any minor changes to the site plan that do not involve the above conditions shall be reviewed and approved at the time of the preliminary plat submission by the Planning and Zoning Board. Any changes to the above conditions must be resubmitted to the Planning and Zoning Board and approved by City Council.

After review of the conditions, Mr. Stumb concluded this section of his report.

Mayor Andrews called on Mr. Chuck Jones for his presentation on the proposed development.

Mr. Chuck Jones- Mr. Jones began his presentation discussing changes in growth and how it was perceived by adjoining property owners and discussed his proposed development highlighting the following items:

- ➤ Homeowners Association will be in place for the maintenance and architectural control of the proposed development.
- Amenities Package: includes a pool, a community center, and tennis courts.

- > Greenway: 70 acres of the 220 acre tract are in common space, or greenway space. This represents 35% of the total property remaining open.
- ➤ We intend to make this a destination neighborhood with walking trails and have other items in place to foster this type of neighborhood. It is our goal to establish a neighborhood that will blend in with the existing development and still be marketable and meet its acceptance. We have a broad range of product in an effort to appeal to the market.
- The roadway improvements in our proposed neighborhood in general will subject to a traffic impact analysis. NCDOT works with this to establish the standards for what we need to do.
- Retention ponds, sand filters, and the integrity of the streams are monitored by the Army Core of Engineers, Department of Energy and Natural Resources, and the Division of Water Quality. We want to restore the southern stream working with the Economic System Enhancement Program to restore the Southern Stream.
- > We want to restore the cemetery due to the historical aspects as well as make sure this is maintained and cared for instead of no maintenance.
- > Density- The market analysis that we have prepared leads us to the proposed concept as illustrated. Mr. Jones discussed the costs involved with the development such as infrastructure, roads, and property. We are in place to adapt to market demands as this development progresses if approved and if less density seems to be what the public is looking for we can adapt. This proposed community concept will allow us to fit into the surrounding neighborhood and still have the open buffers. We do have to keep the wishes of the neighborhood in mind as this project is developed.

Mark with Stimmel and Associates: Mr, Stimmel advised those present that his firm was a land planning civil engineering firm based out of Winston Salem. He discussed opportunities his firm had experienced over a 20 year period in the triad and across the state concerning the type of proposed development presented by Mr. Jones. We feel we have come up with a good comprehensive plan with a variety of housing projects. This is a better approach than trying to piecemeal a subdivision as it is developed.

There are 3 different sizes of single family lots ranging from 65 X 120, 75 X 140 and large lots at 85 X 150. The proposed development will also have some multi-family products as well as retention ponds. The proposed Twin Homes will be located on the southeastern corner of the site as well as some townhomes abutting against Morris Road. The single family residences have been strategically located to abut existing single family residents to the west and north and include some single family homes north along Hopewell Church Road.

We show a stub road to the north located at an access property easement the applicant has acquired. This will be used for construction during the construction phase and then will be used for emergency access traffic.

For the reasons discussed we would like to ask for Council's support for this rezoning.

At this time Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing, reviewed the rules for Public Hearing, and clarified that the public hearing was to give citizens the opportunity to comment on proposed initial zoning for the property even though the City has not annexed this property.

Speaking in favor of the request:

None

Speaking as a neutral party: John Maddocks, 3863 Fox Meadow Road: Mr. Maddocks advised Council that he would like to speak neutrally on this issue speaking neither for nor against this request, for or against development, for or against annexation, but speaking in favor of planning. He discussed the Land Use Plan that has been tabled that did address the area being discussed tonight. In general the area south of Interstate has been recommended by the Land Use Plan as residential and rural residential. The specific area in consideration tonight has a recommendation of rural residential which includes one (1) domestic unit per acre. The only other residential designation south of Interstate 85 is residential that includes two (2) domestic units per acre and does permit the dedicated use of green spaces, public use areas such as schools and churches, and a residential community facility such as a grocery store. These are the only 2 zoning recommendations that have been recommended for this area.

As a member of the Land Use Committee I advocate the adoption of the Land Use Plan and will be willing to answer any questions.

Speaking against the request

The following persons spoke against the request voicing complaints concerning the density of this development in comparison with the surrounding rural area, the need to provide city services to existing residents before extending the corporate boundaries to others, quality of life issues that included taking away the rural look and atmosphere of Trinity, increased crime, traffic, and over crowding of the schools. Also included were the retention ponds and the flooding that may come from this proposed development, pollution, increased demand for fire, police, and emergency services that are not currently provided by the City, increased maintenance for streets and roads, the need to set higher standards and request larger lots, the number of developments already approved that will increase traffic, school overcrowding, and crime as discussed earlier, how this development would effect sewer allotment to residents or infill growth of property already inside the City Limits, and the fact that the applicant making this request would not be the developer of the properties and would be selling the lots for development to other builders therefore limiting the control of the proposed development.

John Fletcher, Evergreen Drive; Jerry Royals, Meadowbrook Drive; Chester Ayers, 3498 Circle Court; Doug Hill, Morris Road; Jane Chauncey, Morris Road; Lynn Stinnett, 3475 Circle Court; Sabrina Lewallen, NC Highway 62; Eric Black, Kingston Road; Cindy Helms, Red Fox Road; Stacey Schaefer, Evergreen Drive; Mickey Phillips, Red Fox Road; Robert Hane, Carriage House Circle; Rene Gurley, Carriage House Circle; Walter Ashe, Meadowbrook Road; Keith Walker, Carriage House Circle; Chuck Saunders, Hickory Hill Road, Norbert Smoot, Welborn Road.

With no others speaking, Mayor Andrews closed the Public Hearing and called on Planner, Mr. Stumb for further comments and or recommendation

Mr. Stumb discussed the ongoing process of zoning. If this development is turned down this property can come back for rezoning again at any time.

Planning Recommendation: At their December 12, 2006 the Planning Board recommended with a 5 to 3 vote to deny this request.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of this project.

At this time Mayor Andrews turned the request to Council for discussion.

Council member Brown discussed the comments made by Mr. Maddocks concerning the proposed density for the area of the proposed development. The Land Use Plan he referred to does indicate less density than what is proposed in this request. He discussed comments he had read in the newspaper concerning citizens not wanting this type of development in their back yards and his feelings and understanding why these comments were made.

It was Council member Talbert's feelings this was the beginning for high density request from our administrators. This is very high density. This is relatively low density compared to what we have been asked to consider in the Land Use Plan. We have been asked to consider 7 houses per acre.

At this time, Council member Talbert made a motion not to rezone this property and was seconded by Council member Brown.

Prior to voting, Attorney Wilhoit advised Council members that there should not be action taken on this item until the Annexation portion was discussed. This was discussed to address what direction the Council was seeking if the Annexation request for this area is approved.

Manager Bailie and Council discussed why no action could be taken on this item during this meeting. Manager Bailie discussed earlier comments regarding this area being outside of the current City Limits. The property must be annexed prior to rezoning. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to hear concerns and for Council to discuss their concerns. Unless the Council approves the annexation request tonight, they can not formally vote on the rezoning of this property since it is not currently within our boundaries.

At this time Council member Talbert rescinded his motion and moved to table the rezoning request.

After further discussion, Mayor Andrews called on Attorney Wilhoit to discuss this issue further.

Attorney Wilhoit discussed Council actions by stating that Council knew this annexation request was coming before them and were trying to address the concerns of how this property could be developed as well as the appropriate zoning for this property if it were annexed.

At this point, I am asking Council not to take action. Council member Talbert's motion to table means that Council has tabled any recommendation or otherwise and taken no action on this request. The annexation request must be addressed. Once that is completed then they can revisit this rezoning if they so desire. The annexation request must be heard prior to any action for this request.

With no further discussion, Mayor Andrews called for a second Council member Talbert's motion to table. Hearing none the motion died on the floor.

Council member Lambeth discussed the comments made by citizens and their desire to keep this area designated with an R-40 zoning.

After further discussion between Mayor Andrews and Attorney Wilhoit concerning the process needed for this item, *Mayor Andrews declared that no action was taken on this item*.

6. Voluntary Annexation – Hopewell Village

Mayor Andrews called for comments from Mr. Stumb on this request. Mr. Stumb advised Mayor Andrews he had no comments on this request.

At this time Mayor Andrews called on Mr. Chuck Jones for comments.

Mr. Jones: Mr. Jones discussed his desires to become a part of the existing neighborhood and addressed some of the comments made during the rezoning portion of this request. He advised Council and members of the audience that there were no modular or manufactured homes planned for this development and whatever action needed to taken to assure this type of development would not be allowed would be done. This will be an organized community with a Homeowners Association that will enforce the architectural controls in this development and will control what goes in this development. Mr. Jones discussed the issues raised concerning the overcrowding in schools and increased traffic on the existing roads and while he agreed with the comments, he stated that as a developer he did not know the answer to creating more schools and improving roadways to address the traffic issues. As we create the sewer infrastructure to serve this proposed development at our costs, it would allow approximately 205 existing homes in this area not currently included in any of the City Sewer Phases to be served by the City.

We are open to making this development work and wish the best for your community.

At this time Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing for this request and advised citizens speaking must live within the current city limits of the City of Trinity to comment on this request.

Speaking for the Request: None

Speaking against the request

The following persons spoke against the annexation request voicing complaints concerning keeping the City rural and not allowing dense development to occur in Trinity as has been allowed in surrounding cities, the need to provide services to current city residents for tax dollars paid before annexing other areas into the corporate limits, the need for environmental studies on how this proposed development would affect stormwater runoff, watershed issues, and increased traffic, overcrowding in schools, pollution, the increase need for emergency personnel and police protection due to the increased crime and accidents that would come with this type of dense development, the need to require good development with less density, and one citizen voicing their desire for no city sewer, no trash service, and no to the proposed development.

Shirley Hamer, off Ronniedale Road; Walter Ashe, Meadowbrook Road; John Fletcher, Evergreen Drive; Chester Ayers, 3498 Circle Court; Lynn Stinnett, 3475 Circle Court; Martha Ogle, Hopewell Church Road; Brown Cumby, Hopewell Church Road; and Donnie Welborn, Hopewell Church Road.

With no others speaking, Mayor Andrews closed the Public Hearing and called for any recommendations. Hearing none, Mayor Andrews called for discussion and or action concerning this item.

6A. Ordinance to Extend the Corporate Limits of the City

Council member Talbert discussed the tax collection rate at 99.4%. This is one of the highest in North Carolina and represents that Trinity residents are responsible residents. I do not believe this proposed annexation is right for Trinity or its residents. At this time Council member Talbert made a motion that the City not annex this property until after all the other people in Trinity are served with sewer. The motion was seconded by Council member Brown. With no other discussion the vote was approved unanimously by all Council members present.

After the vote, Council member Lambeth addressed citizens that spoke with concerns for overcrowding in schools. He advised audience members that children from the City of Archdale attended Trinity Senior High School. He asked that they share their concerns of overcrowding in the schools with the School Board just as much as they shared them with the Trinity City Council. He thanked all residents for their interest and for coming to the meeting.

6B. Establish Initial Zoning

No action was taken or needed on this item due to the denial of the annexation request.

Mayor Andrews called for a 5 minute break at 9:15 pm.

After returning from break, Mayor Andrews called the meeting back to order and proceeded with the next item on the Agenda.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Andrews opened this item and called for any changes, corrections or additions to the minutes listed on the Consent Agenda. Hearing none, Mayor Andrews called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

- 7. Consideration of minutes: Dec. 12, 2006 Pre-agenda Meeting
- 8. Consideration of minutes: Dec. 19, 2006 Regular City Council Meeting
- 9. Consideration of minutes: Jan. 4, 2007 Special Called City Council Meeting

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented by Council member Bridges, seconded by Council member Lambeth and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

10. City Hall Roofing

Manager Bailie advised Council that the costs for this item had not been received and asked Council to remove this item from the Agenda.

Motion by Council member Lambeth to remove Item 10 from the meeting agenda, seconded by Council member Ewings and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

11. Consider Archdale-Trinity YMCA Request for City Funding

Mayor Andrews opened this item and called on the YMCA for opening comments.

Fred Meredith, Chairman of the Archdale-Trinity YMCA; Mr. Meredith discussed how this project began 5 years ago with the formation of a Steering Committee and a \$500,000.00 donation to begin our study. We commissioned a \$25,000 study to find out if citizens wanted a YMCA in this area. This study came back with an overwhelming need and tremendous support for a new Archdale-Trinity YMCA. We then transformed from a committee to a board and got 24 volunteers that carry on the normal function of board members on a monthly basis. The English's donated 10 acres of property on NC Highway 62 located in the center of the two (2) communities. We have started a fund raiser committee and have raised in excess of 2.5 million dollars without mass mailings. Our best estimate for Phase 1 is approximately 4 million dollars. We need approximately 1.5 million dollars to get the building started. Our studies have shown that residents located in the Archdale-Trinity area will use the facility in many ways.

We can not start and build the building with the burden of a large debt. We need the funds to build the building. Once built it will be self supportive.

At this time Mr. Meredith introduced Mr. Jorge Lagueruela; Mr. Lagueruela discussed meetings that had taken place since 2001 of which he had been a part. He advised Council and audience members that he was a volunteer and along with other volunteers had been working to put this YMCA into reality to bring more benefits such as recreation, family values, and improving the quality of life. The YMCA is already providing youth and sports programs by working from a satellite base in High Point. We have also had a summer camp for the last 2 summers providing more activities for our community. We have purchased more than 26 acres located off of Turnpike Road and are planning a very large and complete sports complex at this location. The Guil-Rand Soccer Association started a program there and are very actively involved in the program. The YMCA is taking over this and it is our intention to add another soccer field, a couple of baseball fields, and possibly a day camp facility as well. All these things that I have just shared with you relate to outside activities. What we really need in this area is a building that we can use as a base for all of our meetings, planning, and coordinating all of our activities. He discussed future growth and development for the Trinity area and how they will be looking for recreation and for Council to bring more activities to them as residents of Trinity.

Our new facility will offer a health and wellness program for elderly in conjunction with High Point Hospital. We will have indoor and outdoor sports for our children and teens as well as after school activities. By keeping children involved it will essentially keep them out of trouble and gives them good guidance and direction. We will also be able to provide meeting spaces, and have arranged partnerships with the Family Services of the Piedmont and the American Red Cross. Our facility would act as a shelter if needed.

We have received 2.5 million dollars in donations and support from the United Way in the amount of \$10,000.00 for scholarships. No child or adult who is in need will be left behind.

The YMCA is asking the City of Trinity for \$200,000.00 over a 10 year period to help fund the activities that are being formed at the YMCA and allowing us to also act as a recreational provider.

There was a brief discussion among Council members with Mr. Lagueruela concerning employment of some Trinity residents, and the addition of little league baseball fields. Mayor Andrews asked about completion dates for the little league fields and the day camp. Mr. Lagueruela and Mr. Austin advised Council that no completion date had been set for this and explained that this property had just been acquired and that work was under way to have fill dirt brought in for the property and have a volunteer that had offered to help lay out the design. There is no completion date but it is a vision. It is a concept and idea that this property can be used for future generations and for many different activities.

Prior to further discussion, Mayor Andrews called on Ms. Hinson, City Clerk/Finance Officer for her recommendation.

Ms. Hinson discussed her recommendation with Council. While she felt the City should consider funding the YMCA as requested, she felt that Council should consider asking for a discount membership to all residents living inside the corporate limits of Trinity. Ms. Hinson explained that the \$200,000 sought from Trinity would be funded differently than the \$200,000 committed by the city of Archdale. Ms. Hinson based her recommendation on the fact that all contributions from the City of Archdale were made from in-kind services or monies generated by Powell Bill State Revenues and once the building was finished the City of Archdale would be able to generate revenues from the YMCA since they would be providing the water and sewer services to the building facility. For the City of Trinity, the donations will be a direct payment from general fund revenues that included tax dollars and there will be no opportunity to receive revenues from the completed facility.

After Ms. Hinson's recommendation, there was rebuttal from the YMCA concerning the request for a discounted membership fee for City of Trinity residents. Scholarships and how they were determined were discussed and the fact that those in need would not be turned down. Also discussed was the role that the YMCA planned to assume in serving as a Parks and Recreation department for the City of Trinity.

After a brief discussion among Council members concerning the need for the YMCA and the recommendation from Ms. Hinson, Council member Talbert made a motion to award the YMCA what they asked for and not to require that a discount be given to Trinity residents, seconded by Council member Ewings and approved 6 to 2 with Council members Bridges and Reddick voting Nay.

After the vote there was discussion between Manager Bailie and Council members on when the payment of this commitment would begin. After discussion, *Council members directed Manager Bailie to begin the annual contributions July 01, 2007*

12. Report on Sufficiency of Petition for Annexation of Finch Farm Rd. property

Consider Setting Public Hearing on Finch Farm Rd. Annexation Request

After Mayor Andrews opened this item, Ms. Hinson, City Clerk advised Council that she had approved the Certificate of Sufficiency based on the information received and all information did meet the State Statutes concerning approval for Certificate of Sufficiency.

There was a brief discussion between Manager Bailie and Council members concerning the next steps needed for this item. Manager Bailie advised Council the next step is to set a date for the Public Hearing.

Motion by Council member Lambeth to set a Public Hearing for the proposed Finch Farm Annexation for February 20, 2007, seconded by Council member Ewings and approved 7 to 1 with Council member Bridges voting Nay.

Business and Closing Comments from Mayor and Council

Mayor

Mayor Andrews advised Council and audience members that Deputy Troy Albright would be available at Trinity City Hall on the last Wednesday of each month beginning in January from 4:00 to 5:00 pm to speak with citizens about problems that they may have.

Council

None

Business from City Manager

Manager Bailie discussed the following items:

Retreat Memo

Request for what meal preference was for the Annual Retreat as well as assistance for prioritizing the proposed Retreat Agenda Items. Manager Bailie asked that Council members return this information to her as soon as possible in order to develop an Agenda for the Annual Retreat.

Memo for Emergency Contact Information from Randolph County

Manager Bailie asked that this information be completed as soon as possible and turned in to her at Council's earliest convenience.

Audience Request

George Crooker, representing the YMCA asked that the City of Trinity partner with the YMCA in an effort to hold an Easter Egg Hunt for residents in Trinity.

Adjournment

With no other business to discuss, Mayor Andrews called for a motion to adjourn the January 16, 2007 Regular City Council Meeting.

Motion by Council member Ewings to adjourn the January 16, 2007 Regular City Council Meeting at 10:03 p.m., seconded by Council member Meredith and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

These minutes were approved by the Trinity Council at their Regularly Scheduled Meeting on February 20, 2007 as written with the change listed below upon motion by Council member Bridges, seconded by Council member Labonte and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

Correction incorporated into the minutes as follows:

> Item 7, page 5 address correction for John Maddocks from Red Fox Road to Fox Meadow Road